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In re Patent Application of)
Isaac D. WHITE et al.) Group Art Unit: 3634
Application No.: 10/679,843) Examiner: CHIN-SHUE, Alvin C.
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For: ASCENSION/DESCENSION)
APPARATUS AND METHOD)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

The following remarks are presented as a complete response to the restriction requirement mailed on September 2, 2005.

Claims 1-20 remain pending in the application. Favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Office has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I, claims 1-16, drawn to an ascension/descension apparatus, classified in class 182, subclass 82.

Group II, claims 17-20, drawn to a method of traversing a vertical surface, classified in class 182, subclass 44.

In response, Applicant elects the invention defined as Group I for prosecution in the application. This group is represented by claims 1-16.

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The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Prompt notice of same is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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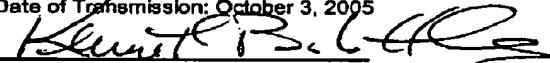
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